SEVIS Notice February 5, 2004

A modification to SEVIS Batch processing will be implemented on
February 6, 2004 as SEVIS Release 4.9.2. SEVIS Batch processing is
being modified to accommodate repeat participation at the same program
or school by exchange visitors and students. There are no Batch schema
changes associated with this release.

The Batch processing criteria for identifying duplicate records will
now be as follows:

- The system will prevent the creation of an exchange visitor record
whose family name, first name, date of birth, country of birth, and
gender matches an INITIAL or ACTIVE status exchange visitor record
within the same program.

- The system will prevent the creation of a student record whose family
name, first name, date of birth, and gender matches an INITIAL or
ACTIVE status student record within the same campus.

Records that are rejected by SEVIS Batch processing due to the
duplicate record criteria may still be added to SEVIS through RTI.

Please contact the SEVIS Help Desk at 800-892-4829 if you have any
questions regarding this release.

Thank you.

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